

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

Keep contributions to the USF proportional to the use of the phone system. Why do you want to force me to subsidize telemarketers who abuse the system to the point that a "do not call" list had to be established? Commercial phone users reap the rewards of the USF by gaining a larger market, so let them pay for this benefit.

Better yet, eliminate the USF altogether. If someone wants phone service, let them pay for it! Why should phone service be treated differently than other services people want? What's next, a USF for pet grooming?

Now, on to the boilerplate!

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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